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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on December 11, 2007, please enter the following amendments. A petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to extend the period of time to respond by one month, from March 11, 2008, to April 11, 2008, is submitted herewith:

**Amendments** to the claims begin on page 2. **Remarks** begin on page 24.